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EXAMINING GROUP 3600**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the first Office Action mailed December 19, 2003, in the above-referenced patent application, please consider the following amendments and remarks. This amendment is in response to the Office Action and is being transmitted concurrently with the Declaration of Jeffrey T. Brinker Under 37 C.F.R. 1.131.

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